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Summary of OSTRICH Case

4 April 1945

Born in Canton Solothurn, Switzerland on 4 August 1912, Ludwig or Louis NEBEL @ Carl HAAS @ Leo NEUMANN @ Leo @ Louis BAUMGARTNER @ Loreng MEDEMAYER @ Louis NEUVILLE, is a member of Abteilung VI/S of the RSHA, captured on 2 November 1944 with Maurice ZELLER (WREN - Q.V.) while trying to pass through the Allied lines on a sabotage and espionage mission.

Under interrogation, OSTRICH furnished detailed information on the RSHA, particularly on AMT VI/S. He also pointed out several stay-behinds in France. He was persuaded to work for SCI as a DA, since he realised that the German cause was lost and that his only salvation lay in his working for the Allies. For safety's sake, however, his baby daughter is being retained in Allied territory, as well as 400,000 francs belonging to OSTRICH.

Prior to being returned to the RSHA as an agent having successfully completed his mission, OSTRICH worked out an elaborate cover story with JIGGER. He was put through the lines on 15 January 1945. Since then, SCI has received news through parashutists PRELOGAR and MOREL captured in March, that OSTRICH is enjoying great fame in the RSHA, where he is credited with an attempt to assassinate de GAULLE and with an unspecified sabotage act. He is also reported to be a commissioned officer and to have received a high German award from HITLER.

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